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Schoolyards throughout Coffee County will be a little prettier this Spring, thanks to a gift presented by the State Division of Forestry. The gift includes various species of trees which will be planted by the County Forester at schools in Coffee County. Among the trees to be planted are Elm, Scarlet Maple, Scarlet Oak, Magnolia and Pine.

Pictured above planting a tree at New Brockton High School are teacher Elizabeth Burns, Principal Stanley Walker, Probate Judge James L. Sawyer, Supt. Jimmy Baker and County Forester Wayne Roberts.

## Homecoming 77 Set At Kinston High

Kinston High School celebrates its 50th year as a high school this year. Homecoming '77', which has been set for Friday, February 4, will use this as its theme. All former principals and retired teachers will be honored this year. Invitations have been sent to former principals, H. B. Larrick, E. C. Newsome, and R. L. Farris, Annie Lee Vaughan, Donnie Moody, Lucille Wise, Cleone Blackstock, Eva Medlock, Mary Sue Crawley, Jessie Mathews, Ora Kelley, Fred Wood and Woodrow Pierce.

The Homecoming Queen this year is Sheila Wilks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wilks. Sheila will be escorted by the President of the Student Body, Bobby Chambliss. Her court consists of Jamie Bailey, who will be escorted by Tommy Holley, and Penny Seay, who will be escorted by Jeff Parker.

The events of the day will begin with a parade starting at one o'clock. Four o'clock kicks off the annual barbecue, and the traditional "old-timers" game will be at six. Following the game will be the coronation ceremonies honoring the Queen and her Court. Next, the Kinston Bulldogs will meet the Zion Chapel Rebels for the big game.

Following the game, will be the Alumni Dinner, honoring the Classes of '26, '46, '56, '66 and '76. The dinner will be presided over by the President, Gerald Martin. The homecoming dance will feature the Jubilation from Mobile. Everyone is given a special invitation to attend all of the events of the day.

## Leslie Mullins Named County Engineer

The Coffee County Commission announced last week that Mr. Leslie E. Mullins has been hired as county engineer for Coffee County.

Mullins, who began work as the new county engineer on Tuesday, Feb. 1, replaces Mr. Bernard Richburg. Richburg, a state engineer, was on loan to Coffee County until it could hire a full-time engineer. Richburg will continue to work with the county through February to insure a smooth period of transition.

Mullins, who held the position as county engineer in Coffee County for a total of 15 years prior to the implementation of the County Unit System, is a native of this area.

Mullins was born in Newton, and attended the public schools of that area. Following high school, Mr. Mullins attended Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn), and graduated from the School of Engineering. Mullins taught school and worked with the State Highway Department following graduation, and served for 5 years in the Air Force. Following his military service, Mr. Mullins was engaged in the construction business in the local area, and it was during that time that he served as county engineer.

For the past three years, Mr. Mullins has been employed by the B. F. Williams Construction Company in Ozark. Mullins left this post to accept the position as county engineer.

In announcing the hiring of Mullins, Probate Judge James L. Sawyer said, "On behalf of the county governing body I take pleasure and pride in announcing to the people of our great county that we have been most fortunate in being able to engage one of the most eminently qualified engineers in our area. We welcome Mr. Mullins back into the employ of the county, and we know that the county will engage in a very capable and smooth operation under the very capable hands of the engineer."



## Miller Named To Committees

Senator Wallace Miller who represents the 25th District has been appointed to the following committee: Senate Standing Committee on Health and Welfare. The appointment was made by Lt. Gov. Jere Beasley.

In addition to the above committee Senator Miller is also serving on: (1) Standing Committee on Agriculture; (2) Business and Labor Relations; (3) State Government and (4) Constitution and Elections.

## City Council Hears Landscape Request

The Elba City Council meeting Tuesday night opened with a request from Mrs. Robert Cannon for help from the city in landscaping the area around the water tank on Reddock Hill Road, adjoining the Cannon home. She pointed out that the overflow of the water tank had caused washing of the area and the city had recently cut some trees and shrubs that had grown up around the tank and something needed to be put back there. She noted that the Soil Conservation Office Personnel had recommended something like Red-Tipped Chinese Photinia which has a shallow root system plus hedge or azaleas. She estimated the cost at \$250 and promised to help in any way possible plus she promised to maintain the area if the council agreed. The council voted to allow Mayor Folsom to work with local nurseries to insure the washing was stopped and put a limit of \$150 on the project.

After the minutes were approved, the councilmen were informed that the \$32,000 in bonds maturing in 1974 and 1975 had been purchased saving the city considerable interest. The money was pledged to this purpose and couldn't be used for anything else until the bond issue is paid off. City Clerk Jack Jerscott told the council.

Last week the council instructed Mayor Folsom to check on some radio equipment and was given an update Tuesday night. Folsom said a scanner had been purchased for \$100, complete with crystals. Bids are being taken on a CB radio and no action has been taken on this matter. Folsom said he was working on getting surplus state radios needed by the Fire Department but had nothing for sure at this point.

Folsom told the council he was seeking firms to bid on laying some special asphalt on the North end of the North South airport runway.

Police Chief Johnston reported that nine out of ten of the complaints received by his department were about dogs. "We are getting them everyday," Johnston also noted that teenagers at the Elba Recreation Center had requested that they be allowed to have a dance on Friday or Saturday night; a movie once a week and that a miniature golf course be constructed. The council suggested that they work out with the Recreation Director on the dance.

The idea of movies was discarded as being too expensive to get good new movies and no disposition was made of the miniature golf idea. The matter of the dogs was discussed at length and Johnston told the council there was nothing that the city could legally do about the dogs if they were tagged and had their shots unless the council passed a leash law. A citizen can swear out a warrant Johnston said, but unless this is done, his hands are tied.

Mayor Folsom requested the news media present (THE ELBA CLIPPER, WELB and THE DAILY LEADER) to urge people to get all dogs tagged, as the city would be working to pick up any untagged dogs on the streets.

Jiminy Wise made a motion to construct wheelchair ramps at each corner downtown to assist people in wheelchairs. The motion passed unanimously. City workers will do this work as they get time.

The trash routes were discussed and again the news media was asked to publicize the routes for the benefit of the public Monday the trucks are to Brookdale, New Town and Old Town. Tuesday all areas East of White Water Creek and East of Poa River will have trucks in this area. Trucks will be on the Troy Road, Sunset Boulevard, and the Brantley Road Wednesday. Thursday trucks will be on the Taylor Mill Road and the Opp Highway and Friday is set aside to clean up the town and use the limb chipper as needed.

The council was told that this route had been changed some recently due to the weather and lack of a place to dump trash. The council discussed patching of pot holes in the paved streets. After much discussion and many suggestions, it was decided that one well qualified man would be placed permanently in charge of making these repairs.

Mayor Folsom requested permission to haul bricks, broken blocks and such off private property to fill in washes at the airport. A heated discussion resulted in the council turning down any hauling from private property and voting on a 4-1 vote to fill the washes with dirt. Councilman Don English voted against the motion saying he felt the city should use any available fill material available. Mayor Folsom added after the vote that if he had to vote he would cast a no vote. However, his vote is required only in a tie.

The council approved bills totaling \$31,773.27 including \$4972.22 from general fund, \$28262.60 annual bills (insurance, tax, etc.) \$39,777 from the cigarette fund and \$478.70 from the sewer fund.

Councilman Mike Russell brought up the need to repair some damage done in the 1968 sewer installation project in Brookdale. He noted that the work was never repaired and should be done. All councilmen agreed and the City Clerk was instructed to issue the proper work order.

Councilman John W. Sharpless brought the dormant youth council. It has not met nor have new members been appointed since last spring. The council named Sharpless to get it operating again and to work on setting up a youth government day for the city as was done last year. In this the students elect their own city officials and they actually spend a day at city hall serving in that capacity.

The council meets again on February 15.

BUY GIRL SCOUT COOKIES



A gas truck owned by the Elba Propane Gas Company slid off the roadway into a deep ravine on Monday, January 31, at 10:15 a.m. on Highway 189 approximately two miles north of the Station Community. The truck (pictured above) was traveling south when the accident occurred. Mr. Dallas Pinckard, the driver of the truck, reported the two rear wheels on the right side of the truck slid off the road surface, and when he tried to steer the wheels back on the road, the gas in the tank shifted, forcing the truck down the embankment. The Elba Fire Department stood by at the scene of the accident in case of fire, but was not needed. Pinckard received only minor injuries in the accident.

## Zoning Board Issues Split Decision

The newly-formed Zoning Board of Adjustments met Monday night to hear arguments and rule on two requests for permission to construct appealable structures in residential zones. The meeting resulted in both requests passing, one unanimously and the other by a 3-2 vote. However, to allow the construction, the vote must be by at least 4-1; therefore, the 3-2 measure to construct a medical office failed.

This losing effort was the first to be considered and the first to be voted on. It was a request presented by Mr. Joe Clark on behalf of Mr. Gerald Boswell to allow the construction of either a doctor's office or a dentist office. Dr. Jim Clay had agreed to purchase the lot if the appeal was approved.

Ten residents of the area spoke out against it, two were in favor and a letter was read from one in favor. Speaking for the matter were Mrs. Ann Beck and Mr. John Holley.

Against the matter were Mrs. Linda Berry, Mrs. Elizabeth Devane, Mr. Robert Cooper, George and Mary Grider, Lloyd Daniels, James Maddox, Joe Devane, Pete Lorrey and Paul Morrow.

After this group had voiced their opinions, Dr. Clay spoke and explained why he wanted the area and what he had planned to construct on the lot. He quickly added, however, that after hearing the opposition he was withdrawing his request, "because these people are my good friends and my patients." However, the formal request had been placed by Boswell, and it was therefore considered for vote any way. Voting for the change were Parrish, Frances Brunson and Charles Kennett. Voting against the change were Ann Tucker and A. C. Brunson, Jr., who said his vote was based on Clay's withdrawal.

The request for permission to construct a new Assembly of God Church was the other item of business and a number of people spoke against this. Eight citizens spoke against this idea, but not as emotionally as they had the medical facility. They were Paul and Mary Wallace, Elizabeth and Joe Devane, Robert Cooper, Mary and George Grider, James Maddox, and Pete Dorsey.

Speaking in favor were Linda Berry, Glen Johnston, Carol Flowers, Leroy Lawford and Rev. Milton Dykes. Dykes also presented a petition signed by a number of the area residents. The vote was unanimous in favor of the construction of the church.

Overcrowded conditions at the jail had the trustees sleeping in hallways. Pictured above are: (center) Jailer Bill Mickle, and the two trustees.



## County Heart Fund Volunteers Get Organized For Area Drive

The following persons have recently been selected to serve as leaders in the upcoming Heart Fund campaign in Elba and surrounding areas:

PICTURE 1: - Jess Doyle, County Co-chairman; Bullard, Elba chairman; Ira Hartwell, President

County Co-chairman: Bill the Heart Fund; Chairman: Cindy Blair, Cyclotron Chairman; Joan Ziglar, County Co-chairman; Stanley

Walker, Community Chairman; Karen Speigner, Community Chair; man, Bethany Chairman; PICTURE 3: - Marion Sanders, Doyle, Co-chairman.

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POOR ORIGINAL



## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

House Speaker Joe McCorquodale has been preparing himself for some time to run for a higher office. This week he added another stepping stone to his apparent plunge into the Governor's race. Joe, with the assistance of his staff, introduced a bill in the Alabama House to repeal sales tax on food and prescription drugs. The cost to the state coffers will be \$64 million according to Big Joe and would save the average taxpayer in Alabama \$25.00. Even if it doesn't become law, it is a running start for the Governor's office.

In Chicago it is now possible to pay speeding tickets with a credit card. Each patrol car will contain a charge machine where a motorist can pay on the spot, yet not pay until the first of the month.

Get ready for six more weeks of cold weather, cause it is that the old ground hog saw his shadow Wednesday morning, thus adding six more weeks of cold weather. Only in 1960 and 1975 did the groundhog fail to see his shadow and both times spring arrived early. All this is in Puntstunaw, Pa. which preclaims to be the official groundhog city.

This week's old editor pulled a better like he ain't never done before. It will only add to the verbal abuse to admit the incident but here goes... charges of being tight (stingy) were verified Monday when I took a role of exposed film, put it back into the camera and shot some snow pictures. Needless to say, it didn't work any better than the time I shot part of a football game without any film at all -- neither picture can be reproduced.

This business of snow is getting to be a habit -- a bad habit. Tuesday recently snow has blanketed and caused disruptions in our daily routines. The amount of snow we get here wouldn't bother folks up North because they are geared up to handle it but we live in the sunny South and are not prepared to handle anything but sun and rain. Add to this my personal dislike for the mess and hazards it brings and you can be sure you are editor is ready for spring to spring out.

There has been an uncommon number of people who have expressed a desire for warm weather -- in a round about way. It is no secret that I love to match wits with the fish in our lakes, rivers and streams and all this week, hardly an hour goes by without someone telling me of his or her plans "as soon as it is warm enough to fish." Tuesday night I got a complete rundown on the reason cause poles are not as good as they used to be by a man who is probably THE expert in quality of fishing poles and how to use them. My eight year old son has been trying to convince me that it is not as good as off really cold anyone. Even though we had our jackets on and the heater on the truck going wide open Saturday, he put down a window trying to convince me it was not cold -- he lost the argument.

The Elba City Council decided Tuesday night to do something very worthwhile. On a motion by Jimmy Wise the group agreed to construct ramps at the ends of downtown blocks to ease the efforts of wheelchair bound people as well as others who have trouble stepping up on curbs. This work will be done a little at the time as time permits but it will be done. This is a little thing as civic projects are measured but it is real big for those it will affect.

The newly appointed Board of Zoning Adjustments took its first action Monday night. As the board prepared to vote, the matter of secret ballots was brought up. Two board members expressed a desire for a secret ballot because they had good friends on both sides. THE ELBA CLIPPER was present and was freely taking part in the discussion which led to the legality of such actions. When it was pointed out to the Board members that each member had to be recorded in the minutes on each vote, they quickly cut aside any thoughts of the secret ballot and even apologized for thinking about such a thing.

There is still talk of forming a countywide recreation authority in Coffee County. I wholeheartedly support such a move and hope the yet to be formed board will listen to some ideas I have been spouting about for several years. This group would be formed by the County Commission after a special bill is passed by our State Senator and State Representative.

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The Pilot Club meets on 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month  
at 7:00 at the Big R.

American Legion meets 1st Tuesday at Legion Home at 7:00.  
Water & Electric Board - 2nd Tuesday of each month at  
6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Weight Watchers new meeting place - Courthouse Court  
room at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

The HRDC Office on Putman Street invites participation  
in the ceramic dyeing classes each Wednesday afternoon.

Rotary Club - each Monday at noon, Country Club.

## An Editorial

## Closed Meetings Not Legal

Closed meetings by any governing body in Alabama are not legal unless "the good name of a man or woman is being considered." Recent Attorney General rulings have indicated that a City Council can't meet behind closed doors for any reason.

THE ELBA CLIPPER closely follows all actions of boards, councils and commissions within the county and has to fight the battle continuously. Common sense must prevail on releasing information but the big question is "Who will decide?" Alabama law leaves no room for applying common sense. Therefore, the County Commission was wrong in their recent meetings that resulted in the hiring of a very capable county engineer -- yet not one of the meetings concerning this matter was a public meeting!

The City Council of Elba met Monday night with the entire police department -- with full knowledge of this newspaper. They were not technically behind closed doors, since the door was actually open and a representative of this newspaper went to the door and talked with a person in the room about another matter. The meeting was an attempt to solve some internal problems between elected officials and the police department.

Problems we have been aware of for some time and have worried about for several months as the problems mounted. We discussed the meeting with almost all the elected officials and with many of the police officers prior to the meeting and were at City Hall for another meeting when this one ended and were briefed on the meeting immediately afterwards. We got the impression from everyone we talked to that it was a success -- which made us feel good.

The meeting was to solve internal problems but we were not barred from the discussion -- and it was a discussion, no official vote was taken. In fact City Councilmen and police officers alike said "come on to the meeting if you want to, I don't care."

The matter of refusing to give out any information over the telephone to anyone including the news media was a hurried suggestion by members of the council in response to radio operators complaining about the flood of telephone calls when the fire alarm is sounded and the rescue squad goes out. It was a bad decision and a radio operator told us after the meeting, "Don't worry, it won't last long." Little did we realize at the time that the police chief would be given the authority to continue as his department had been doing in the past.

Again, closed meetings are not legal and to prevent gossipy officials from abusing the freedom the news media usually gives them to solve internal problems, we strongly suggest such meetings be solved before they require meetings of the full governing body -- and it can be done.



DEPUTY DAN SIMMONS is shown with his shotgun as he guards the prisoners during Monday afternoon's shakedown at the Elba jail. Other deputies conducted the search while the prisoners waited outside the facility. The shakedown resulted in the finding of 1 sharpened spoon and a number of unmanufactured blankets and mattresses.

## ...about your Social Security

Q. Why can't I give my business to my wife so I can draw my Social Security?  
A. Payments from Social Security are to replace lost income because of retirement, disability, or death of a worker. Giving a business to a wife, but continuing to work in it is not retirement. Neither is incorporating and giving the stock to family members. In fact both may be found fraudulent devices to avoid deductions and punishable by fine as well as prison sentences.

Here's a reminder for people getting monthly social security payments. This year you can earn as much as \$3,000 without losing any of your monthly benefits -- and you'll get your full payment for any month you earn \$250 or less.

or less, no matter how much your earnings are for the year.

## CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our appreciation to the Elba Fire Department for responding so quickly to the fire we had in our house on Wednesday night, January 14th.

They came as soon as they were called and carefully searched until they found the source of the fire. They tore out only what was necessary, with a minimum of property damage. The fire was contained to one room, with only other damage being smoke, which they could not help.

Again, we would like to say thank you  
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By Tom Casaday, County Extension Chairman

## HEAVY LOSSES

The economic loss being experienced by farmers throughout the eastern half of the United States is staggering. Even cattle and hogs on fall feed make little if any gain during severely cold weather; many baby pigs that will be born throughout the country in the next few days won't survive. Milk production goes down drastically. The poultry industry suffers from both loss in egg production and broiler production. A lot of trees will be winter killed. Machinery will be ruined. Engine blocks in many cases will burst and also radiators. Pipes around farm buildings will burst. The losses are so great that it is difficult to comprehend the total losses. Losses occur to people other than farmers, too. For example, fuel bills are going to be up dramatically for just about everyone. Frozen pipes and other malfunctions due to the cold weather will take a heavy toll. I guess we have had relatively mild winters all of these years. Let's hope that all of the rest of our winters to come will be warmer.

PRUNING  
As soon as it warms up a little will be an excellent time to prune, foundation shrubs around the house. I see a lot of people just simply clipping the tops off shrubs and shrubbery around the house. You can get by with doing this for a year or two. The new growth coming on the plant occurs right where the cut is made. If you do this many times, your plant becomes top-heavy. The best way is to reach down in the plant and take off some limbs 3-5 inches above the ground. New growth will come out exactly where the cut is made, and this will keep the plant bushy and healthy around the bottom. Top-heavy plants just don't look right. It is relatively easy to correct this by making several low cuts on the plants each year.

CORN  
Everything you want to know about corn production, harvesting and marketing will be the theme of a special meeting at the Experiment Station at Headland. Several counties will be participating in this program. The day will begin with a machinery display beginning at about 3:30 at the Farm Center. In the afternoon of February 24. Then at 6:00 we will have a dinner for farmers attending. After dinner, four of our specialists from Auburn will present a program on production, harvesting, storing and marketing corn.

It looks like there is going to be a lot more emphasis on corn this year. Both corn and soybeans appear to be profitable crops for 1977. We want to do everything we can to get prepared for a good year.

SPRAYING FRUIT TREES  
Coffee County homeowners who have peaches and plums should go ahead and put on what we call the dormant spray. Temperatures need to be a little warmer than they are now to put this spray on. The oil spray provides a control for

HOME ORCHARDS  
Recommended fruit and nut varieties for Coffee County and the Wiregrass are: Pecan, Bartlett, Candy, Rockwell, Elliot, Stuart (backyard), Cape Fear, Desirable (commercial).  
...Apples - Brodgen, Wiregrass, Golden Delicious, Elberta, Anna.  
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Farms without a feed grain allotment may have an allotment for the 1977 program year established if they meet eligibility requirements. An application for a new farm feed grain allotment must be filed with the county ASCS office at New Brackton, Alabama by February 15, 1977. Feed grain allotments for 1977 are automatically established for all eligible old feed grain farms. The new farm provision applies only to farms that do not have an allotment. To be eligible for a new farm allotment, neither the owner or the operator of the farm may have an interest in any other farm which has a feed grain allotment established for 1977. The operator must expect to obtain more than 50 percent of his income from farming. The farm for which an application is filed must be suitable for feed grain production without undue erosion.

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COMPACTOR MAY BE CHOKING CROPS  
With the heavy equipment and number of trips made over Coffee County cropland, compactors may be costing you money. Poor soil tilth may be caused by implement or live stock traffic and some fields can even get surface sealing. Soil compaction moves the soil particles closer together, reducing soil pore spaces, thus reducing water infiltration. Generally, soil compaction decreases its organic matter content. Some of the symptoms of over compaction are: slow plant emergence, shorter less hardy plants, off color leaves reflecting nutrient hunger or disease resulting from restricted root growth, shallow root system, malformation of the roots -- root rot may be caused by poorly soil structure. Some soil characteristics which suggest compaction problems are: a crust on the surface which can restrict the exchange of gases and moisture, subsurface compact zones (plow pan, traffic pan etc.) can only be observed by digging or probing, standing water indicates poor infiltration, excessive erosion results when compaction is too great and finally you notice the increased power requirement compared to years before.

THE ANSWER  
Reduce the number of tillage operations by combining operations or going to no-till planters. Test the moisture of soil at the greatest tillage depth and postpone the operation if soil is too wet. A chisel plow can help break up a compacted subsoil, however, not as well as a subsoiler. Use large disks only when absolutely necessary since they tend to cause greater compaction and can destroy terraces. Good cropping practices can add the necessary organic matter in addition to fertilizing

In an experiment in Illinois in a silty clay loam soil, compacted with only four trips over the field, this compaction increased plow draft or pull by 75% plant emergence was delayed, growth rate was reduced and yield was slashed by 37% in the first year. Many of the soils in Coffee County are sandy clay loam which have compaction characteristics similar to this test soil. From an erosion standpoint, these soils are more erosive because the runoff is greater thus taking soil particles with it.

Some of the symptoms of over compaction are: slow plant emergence, shorter less hardy plants, off color leaves reflecting nutrient hunger or disease resulting from restricted root growth, shallow root system, malformation of the roots -- root rot may be caused by poorly soil structure. Some soil characteristics which suggest compaction problems are: a crust on the surface which can restrict the exchange of gases and moisture, subsurface compact zones (plow pan, traffic pan etc.) can only be observed by digging or probing, standing water indicates poor infiltration, excessive erosion results when compaction is too great and finally you notice the increased power requirement compared to years before.

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PIGGY WIGGLY  
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Pork Beans 3 12¢ 88¢  
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ICE MILK 3 16¢ 59¢

PIGGY WIGGLY  
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"There are two forms of taxation in our system. One is direct and honest: the IRS collects those taxes. The other is indirect and deceitful: deficit spending. Deficit spending taxes the American people and American business by reducing purchasing power and, like direct taxation, by reducing available capital. It is nothing short of dishonest to talk about reducing taxes without reducing deficit spending."

—Rep. Thomas N. Kindness (R-Ohio)

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## BLACK AND GOLD REVIEW

### Brainshowers

The worst kind of person to be around is fake. It is sickening for a person to pretend or act like they are something or someone that they really aren't. The people are constantly cutting somebody down, in front of the person or behind their backs. They claim to be nice, decent people in front of the society, and turn around only to do the same things that they have turned other people for doing. Some will go to the extreme to die

into other peoples' private lives in order to find something that will make them look bad. We have to realize that if we want to be respected by others, the only way to achieve the respect is by being better persons ourselves. No decent person respects someone who is constantly putting somebody down in order to make themselves look better. In the long run, these people are losers. Why don't we all try to take what the one above gave us and make the best of it.

### STARS AT EHS

...Barrett - Jud Corley  
...Andy Griffith - Don Bradshaw  
...Marshall "Matt" Dillon - Mr. Powell  
...Rin Tin Tin - Chief  
...George Jefferson - Willie Lowe  
...Jerry Lewis - Harold Bannin  
...Shirley Temple - Tim Morrow  
...Gomer Pyle - Teddy Vaughan  
...Sandra's Court - 6th period speech class  
...Barney Miller - Eddie Dowling  
...Dr. Joe Gannon - Russ English  
...Saulnier - Chester Hammonds  
...Match Game - Comparing homework

EDITOR

### Remember When...

...Love Story was a hit.  
...Everybody watched the "Ed Sullivan Show."  
...Mr. Powell taught science.  
...The stadium was wooden bleachers.  
...There wasn't a Dairy Queen.  
...Everybody wore those sticky candy necklaces.  
...All the male faculty wore crew cuts.  
...All the female faculty only wore dresses.  
...The gym burned.  
...Coach Atkins was football coach.  
...Everybody thought that Srs. were fantastic.

### What would you do with a CORZA?

...Debbie W. - Give it to Freddie.  
...Cissy K. - Give it to Steve.  
...Freddie T. - Give it to Debbie.  
...Mr. Sharpless - Ride it.  
...Jama L. - Send it after somebody in New Hope.  
...Donna K. - Give it to Raymond.  
...Rachele B. - Give it to Don.  
...Ervin W. - Beat it.  
...Cindy M. - Spread it around.  
...Tony J. - Send it to New York.  
...Lisa White - Mail it to Sherman.  
...Jan H. - Wear it.  
...Lynn O. - Watch it.

A corza is a common cold.

## SIX WEEKS—SEMESTER HONOR ROLL RELEASED

Elba High School's third six weeks honor roll included: 76 All A students

7th Grade  
Gary Brinkmeir  
Nancy Champion  
Fleming Kendrick  
Nancy Lindsey  
Vonda Marler  
Julie Maunden  
David Richardson  
Molly Walker  
Becky Smart  
Cressandra Williams  
Vickie McDonald  
Donna Haley  
Stanley Moore  
Todd English  
Beverly Boutwell  
Tim Daniels  
Buddy Clark  
Sherri Smart  
Mark Bowers  
Tammy Finder  
Ken Knight  
Scott English

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Margaret Champion  
Alyson Vaughan  
Susan Bruckner  
Chris English  
Bradley Wilson  
Sandra Seaton  
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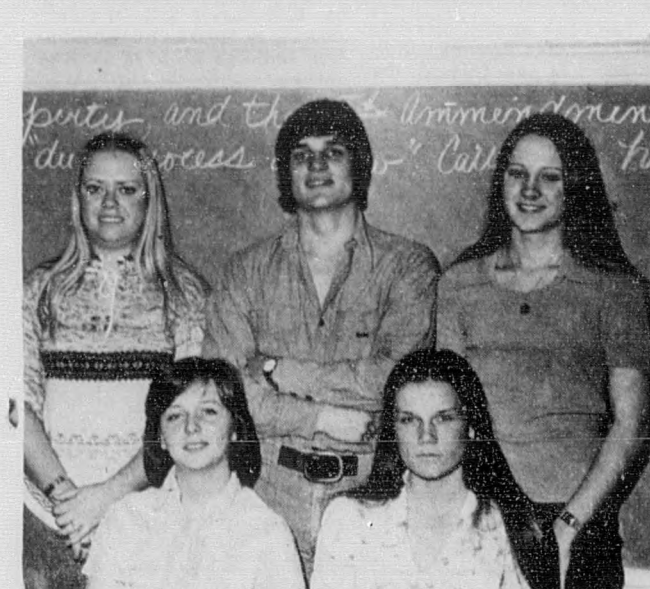
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## Zion Chapel High School

### Rebel News.

EDITORS: Lila Lowery & Kaye Cotten



Zion Chapel Jr. High players have New Hope's Byron Foley covered during the Rebels - Wildcat clash on Friday. New Hope won the game 82-41.

| GENERAL REVENUE SHARING  |             | ACTUAL USE REPORT                         |                 |
|--|-------------|---|-----------------|
| GENERAL REVENUE SHARING PROVIDES FEDERAL FUNDS DIRECTLY TO LOCAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS. YOUR GOVERNMENT MUST PUBLISH THIS REPORT ADVISING YOU HOW THESE FUNDS HAVE BEEN USED OR ALLOCATED DURING THE YEAR FROM JANUARY 1, 1976 TO DECEMBER 31, 1976. THIS IS TO INFORM YOU OF YOUR GOVERNMENT'S PRIORITIES AND TO ENCOURAGE YOUR PARTICIPATION IN DECISIONS ON HOW FUTURE FUNDS SHOULD BE SPENT. NOTE: ANY COMPLAINTS OR DISCREPANCIES IN THE USE OF THESE FUNDS MAY BE SENT TO THE OFFICE OF REVENUE SHARING, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508. |             | ACTUAL EXPENDITURES THROUGH DISBURSEMENTS |                 |
| (A) CATEGORIES   | (B) CAPITAL | (C) OPERATING                             | (D) MAINTENANCE |
| 1. PUBLIC SAFETY   | \$          | \$ 1,798.00                               |                 |
| 2. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  | \$          |   |                 |
| 3. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION   | \$          | \$ 705.00                                 |                 |
| 4. HEALTH  | \$          | \$ 819.00                                 |                 |
| 5. HOUSING   | \$          |   |                 |
| 6. LABORERS  | \$          |   |                 |
| 7. FOOD SERVICES   | \$          |   |                 |
| 8. PARKS AND RECREATION  | \$          |   |                 |
| 9. PUBLIC UTILITIES  | \$          | \$ 207.00                                 |                 |
| 10. EDUCATION  | \$          |   |                 |
| 11. SOCIAL WELFARE   | \$          |   |                 |
| 12. HOUSING & COMM. DEVELOPMENT  | \$          |   |                 |
| 13. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT   | \$          |   |                 |
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### Drama & Speech

### Classes Enjoy

### Night Out

The speech and drama class of Zion Chapel had an experience last Thursday night that was a "first" for our school. They went out "to dinner and the theater". It was not a movie—it was a real live performance! The play was presented in the round. The play presented to us was titled "My Daughter is Raped".

The meal was buffet style, which consisted of green salad, potatoes and peas in cheese sauce, broccoli and cauliflower, spiced chicken, squash casserole, roast beef, corn fritters, rolls, cheese cake and egg custard. Needless to say it was delicious.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sanders, Mrs. Sandra Sanders, Kaye Cotten, Mavis Downing, Pam Price, Marcella Campbell, Randy Mansfield, Steve Reeder, Marty Deal, Nancy Hains, Glenda Bedsole, Janice Brooks, and Darlene Barr. Here are some of the reactions from those people who went.

While at the Lamplighter Dinner Theater in Montgomery, our drama class had a ball. Never, I believe had any of us seen so much food! Golly, it was a lot. The food and service was excellent. The play was a slap-stick comedy that kept you laughing all the way through. I felt as if I was watching a family instead of a play. I really enjoyed it!

I enjoyed it very much. The play was very good. The actors and actresses were very good. They did their parts so well. We also had a very nice dinner before the play. I just had a terrific time.

I had a great time. The play was very interesting and very good. The actors and actresses were great. The food was delicious. I had a ball. I'm very glad that our drama club decided to take this trip to the Lamplighter because I thoroughly enjoyed myself. The food was delicious and the play was very funny! All of the actors did an excellent job and watching them perform made my evening an even more enjoyable one.

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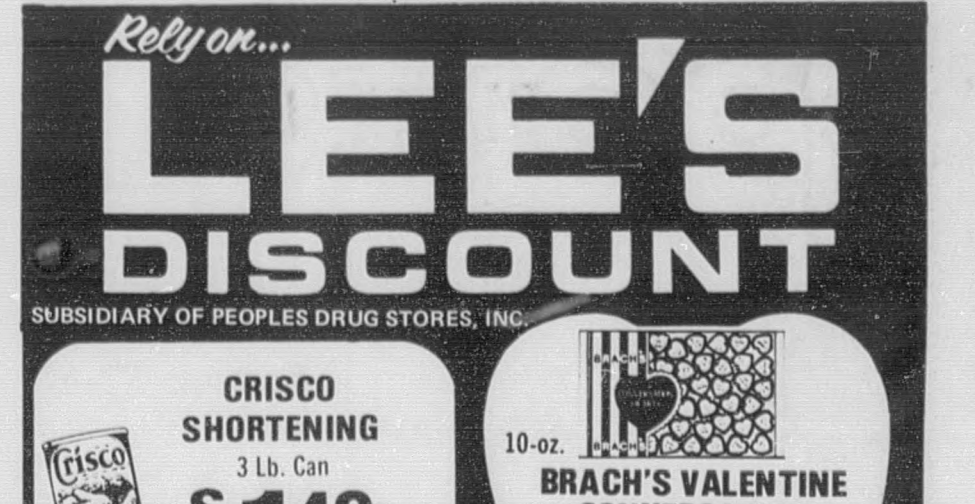


Zion Chapel Jr. High players have New Hope's Byron Foley covered during the Rebels - Wildcat clash on Friday. New Hope won the game 82-41.

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# Sports

## Views From THE PRESSBOX

By, Ricky Mulaz

Sports Editor

The prep basketball season may be dominating the local sports scene, but the talk around Elba is about football, and who will be our next coach!

### NO QUICK DECISION IS EXPECTED

I had a talk with Superintendent of Education Elmer Taylor on Monday, and Mr. Taylor told me that the Board of Education is not even close to hiring a new coach.

Taylor revealed that he has received six applications for the head coaching post, and three for an assistant coaching position. Taylor declined to name the applicants, but did announce that Mack Wood has applied.

Wood coached at Troy High School before entering private business, and led the Trojans to a trip to the state playoffs.

Wood also applied for the head coaching job last year at Elba. Taylor said he would meet with several of the applicants Monday of this week. The superintendent also insisted that no body has the inside track on the job, despite rumors to the contrary.

Taylor further reported that applications are still being accepted, and no cut-off date has been set. Taylor said he felt no coach will be hired at tonight's (Thursday) meeting, but added the applicants would probably be discussed.

In closing, Taylor said that Friday, January 28, was Coach Champion's final day of teaching at Elba High School.

### TIGERS' RECORD STANDS AT 6-8

Elba won two games last week and lost one free-throw contest to up their record to 6-8. The Yellowjackets are averaging nearly 90 points a game, and are definitely a powerhouse in Class A circles.

The Tigers looked good in beating Geneva and Samson and looked like they were beginning to regain their early season form.

Terry Barnes got red-hot against Geneva and spurred a fourth quarter rally that lifted Elba to the win. Barnes is the Tigers' best shot, and could hit at least 20 points a game if he'd look for the shot when he is open.

Elba had absolutely no trouble dumping Samson. The bright spot of the game was the 22 points scored by Chip Goosby. Goosby has carried much of Elba's rebounding load throughout the season, but in recent weeks has almost quit shooting entirely. Maybe his 22-point performance against Samson will give Chip the confidence to keep shooting.

Elba's Ken Martin and Willie Lowe tossed in 13 points apiece against Samson, and the two part-time starters are really beginning to help.

The duo will definitely be needed if the Tigers hope to post a winning chart.

Elba's loss to Kinston came in a game that was totally dominated (or marred) by the referees. The refs called 54 fouls and a total of 6 players fouled out of the game. I can understand a ref calling a lot of fouls if a game is getting rough, but neither Elba nor Kinston is a physical team. In the second half it seemed the refs blew their whistle every 5-10 seconds.

I will not say the two referees called a bad game, but "in my opinion" they ruined what could have been a very enjoyable game.

**PREP ROUND-UP**  
Clio upped its record to 16-1 by routing Baker Hill 76-41 and Louisville 118-64. The Yellowjackets are averaging nearly 90 points a game, and are definitely a powerhouse in Class A circles.

Headland claimed their second straight W.A.C. title, and the Class 2A Rams have improved their record to 14-2. The Rams could be having for a showdown with Georgiana in the Region finals.

Andalusia's record dipped to 10-6 when they fell to Eufaula. The Bulldogs are good, but they aren't a serious contender for a state title.

Zion Chapel whipped Arton and Houston Academy last week to up their record to 5-12. The Rebels are rebuilding, but are beginning to put it together, and should claim at least 10 wins before the season ends.

Eufaula's record is up to 16-1 following wins over Opelika and Andalusia. Coach Butch Stafford's Tigers have to be considered as the favorites for an area title, but I don't think they'll make the state tourney.

Geneva has dropped four straight games, and has seen their record drop to 12-6. The Panthers' four losses have all been narrow defeats, so don't count 'em out yet!

Perhaps the most lopsided game last week was Rebecca Comer's 107-28 win over Louisville. The King Kongs are 16-2, and are my pick to win their region.

Here is this week's Top Ten standings for south Alabama:

1. Tuskegee Institute
2. Dothan
3. Eufaula
4. Troy
5. Clio
6. Headland
7. Rebecca Comer
8. Andalusia
9. Enterprise
10. New Brockton

### IN CLOSING --

It looks like the local churches are getting serious about organizing a Church Basketball League. Four churches are currently playing, and two games have been played involving the four teams.

The teams aren't the best in the world, but it's good exercise and good fun for everyone involved. I hope they keep it up, and I'll make it clear that I'm behind them 100%.

## BASKETBALL

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Headland at Harford  
Opp at Geneva (1 p.m.)

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### SATURDAY

G. C. Wallace of Dothan at Enterprise  
State Jr. College Finals of County Jr. High Tournament at Copinville gym

### SUNDAY

Andalusia at Elba

## Tigers Rout Samson 82-67

The Elba Tigers built a 63-38 lead after three quarters, and then turned it over to the reserves last Thursday night as they routed the Samson Tigers 82-67 in Samson.

Elba came out pressing, and jumped into a 15-2 lead early in the contest. Samson chipped away at the lead, and with 2:10 left in the opening quarter had the Tigers' lead cut to 12-10. Elba scored the final four points of the quarter and led 16-10 after one period of play.

The Tigers began to pull away in the second quarter, and raced to a 38-20 lead late in the period. At the half Elba owned a 43-24 advantage.

Elba's lead went to 55-24 midway through the third quarter, and Tiger Coach Mance Daughtry emptied his bench to mop up the victory.

In the B game, Elba claimed its first win by edging Samson 79-68. The Tigers were led by Greg Johnson with 10 points.

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ELBA (82): Daniels 7, Barnes 3, Goosby 22, Phillips 12, Smith 8, Lowe 13, Martin 13, Collier 2, Coleman 2.

SAMSON (67): Cantoluphe 11, Baldwin 26, Hornsby 8, Crews 14, Davis 8.

(B GAME: Elba 29 - Samson 28)

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## IN FREE-THROW FIASCO Kinston Upsets Elba 73-68

The Kinston Bulldogs pulled a stunning upset last Friday night by edging the Elba Tigers 73-68 in a game marred by 54 fouls and 73 free-throw attempts.

The win upped Kinston's record to 12-6, while the loss dropped Elba's chart to 6-9. The score was knotted at 2-2 early in the game, but Kinston hit four unanswered buckets and pulled into a 10-2 lead with 2:31 left in the opening stanza.

Elba's Larry Phillips hit two jump shots late in the quarter to pull the Tigers within four points, at 12-8, but Kinston stretched the lead to 16-8 after one quarter of play.

The final quarter saw Elba lose four players on fouls, while Kinston had two players foul out. The Bulldogs scored 23 points in the final quarter, with 17 coming at the foul line. Elba hit seven field goals in the final period, but hit only 9 of 16 free throws.

Elba made a run at Kinston early in the final quarter, and pulled within one point at 32-31 with 6:26 left in the game. The Tigers finally caught the Bulldogs at 36-36 on a bucket by James Ray Daniels, and took the lead at 38-36 seconds later on another bucket by Daniels.

Kinston regained the lead at 40-38 on two free throws by Max Farris, and the Dogs never let Elba catch up.

Kinston was led offensively by Max Farris with 24 points and Terry Weeks with 16 points. The Bulldogs hit 25 of 45 free throws.

Elba's Terry Barnes led all scorers with 25 points, followed by Larry Phillips with 11 points. The Tigers hit 14 of 28 free throws.

Kinston (73): Parker 4, McKinney 7, Holley 7, Weeks 16, Farris 24, Caldwell 7, Edwards 6, Elba (68): Daniels 7, Barnes 25, Goosby 7, Phillips 11, Smith 9, Lowe 7, Martin, Collier

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# ELBA NURSING HOME - 10 YEARS OLD



Lorene Bryan, Jim Nichols, Nickie Jinright, Sarah Manwaring



HOUSEKEEPING - Mary Lee Lockett, Shirley Coleman



PHYSICAL THERAPY - Sandra Ellenburg, Linda Traywick

On a cold rainy day in January 1, 1967 the Elba Nursing Home opened its doors to serve the public with a bed capacity of 40.

The Nursing Home, like the hospital, was financed by a 1% sales tax from the City of Elba, along with Bill-Burton matching funds. An additional 74 beds were opened for occupancy on October 20, 1975.

At the present time it is certified as a combination Skilled and ICF home, and also Medicare approved.

To be certified as a Skilled Nursing Facility it must be licensed by the State of Alabama, HEW and MSA. It must have a governing body with written policies and procedures, Utilization Review Plan, physician's recommendations, be able to cover any emergency, 24-hour nursing care service, maintain records properly, Rehab Services, Social Services, activities, Nursing Home - Hospital Transfer Agreement, drugs obtained and dispensed properly and according to professional standards, adequate and nutritious foods to meet dietary needs in compliance with all sanitary and safety codes, building and maintenance to insure a safe, functional, sanitary and comfortable environment for the residents.

On opening day in 1967, twenty one senior citizens were admitted, and of the original admissions only one still lives there. She is Miss Gypsy Blue who was 96 years young on January 5. Miss Blue said, "This is a nice and comfortable place. It is very pleasant and everyone likes each other. We should all be thankful we have a home like this."

The Elba Nursing Home is being served by some of Coffee County's finest physicians. All are original Elbians except Dr. Jim Boyce who just recently joined the staff from Ontario, Canada, but his wife Linda is one of Elba's own. The medical staff consists of Dr. J. M. Kimmy, Chief of Staff, Dr. Donald Crook, Dr. L.B. Cooper, and Dr. Boyce.



NURSING STAFF

It goes without saying that a nursing home could not begin to do anything without the services of a dedicated Director of Nurses and Nursing Staff. Mrs. Sarah Manwaring has served for the past 5 years as the Director of Nurses. Her comments are: "It is the purpose of the nursing service at Elba Nursing Home to assure that the total care to all its residents is provided by coordination of all disciplines and skills made available, each provided within a respective area of responsibility. As Director of Nursing Service I am responsible for the organization and directions of these disciplines and skills in such a manner that all residents receive the most efficient and comprehensive care. Our objectives are to assure that all facets of resident care necessary to the health, happiness and well being of the residents are provided. As Director of Nurses, I assume Administrative authority, responsibility, and accountability for the functions, activities and training of the nursing service staff. I feel that I am very fortunate to be affiliated

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## Activity Staff

Activity Coordinator Nickie Jinright has been associated with the nursing home for two years. She works hard at keeping the Senior Citizens hands and minds busy each day. There are varied activities so that most everyone can become part of at least one activity each day to alleviate the boredom of just sitting in their rooms.

Some of the activities are Bingo, Crafts, Exercise and reading classes, R.O. classes, baking time, game time, and many other ways are planned to make each resident have a happy normal life.

Mrs. Milla Boswell, Mrs. Orville Grant, Mrs. Lena Smith, Mrs. Lila Belle Hines are Senior Aides paid through the Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission to assist in activities, write letters, read to the resident or anything they can do to make each day more pleasant.

One department of special importance is the Physical Ther-

apy Department, and it is doing an outstanding job in rehabilitating the patients.

Mrs. Linda Traywick and her staff Mrs. Sandra Ellenburg and Felicia Newton have had helping the resident gain muscular strength and self confidence for ambulation and activities of daily living.

The saying that "cleanliness is next to Godliness" and that is what the housekeeping department strives to do. Each patient room is cleaned daily as well as the lobby, activity area and dining room. The laundry is picked up twice weekly and returned to their rooms the next day.

A staff of four ladies and one man make up this department. They are Shirley Coleman, Mary Lee Lockett, Julia Phillips, Priscilla Bryan and Jerry Hill. They are all under the supervision of Mrs. Sally Bryan.

Several other people help make the nursing home tick. They are all the dietary personnel who prepare nutritious meals under the supervision of Mrs. Susanne Stokes, dietitian and Mrs. Margaret Wyatt, Food Service Supervisor. Mr. Sonny Inniss is Personnel Management as well as keeping the shelves well stocked with needed supplies. Mrs. Gene is bookkeeper and maintenance under the supervision of Mr. Kenneth Hudson.

This article could not close without recognizing the people, churches, and clubs who bring cheer to the nursing home by their thoughtfulness in remembering shut-ins. They are: Shiloh Baptist Church, Jack Assembly of God Church, Woodland Grove Baptist Church, Albion Baptist Church, West Ebenezer Baptist Church, Faith Chapel, and Mt. Olive Baptist Church. These churches come once a month on Sunday or Saturday. Girl Scout Troop conducted by Mrs. Barbara McGuire, Girl Scout Troop conducted by Mrs. Joanne Cannon. Girl Scout Troop conducted by Mrs. Pat English. These troops visit twice a month and each have an adopted grandmother or grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Harrison and Mr. Lee Johnson come once a month and sing. Mrs. Leonora Kennett visits twice a week and helps some one play bingo and always fur-

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**10 YEARS AGO**  
FEBRUARY 4, 1967  
The Elba Rescue Squad officially went into operation Friday, Jan. 27, at 6 p.m., according to Capt. Leroy Miller.

**30 YEARS AGO**  
FEBRUARY 6, 1947  
Grocery Specials at the Piggy Wiggly include: Round Steak - 48¢; Four - 98¢ for 10 lb. bag; Chuck roast - 48¢; B. Boneless Ham - \$12.98 lb.; and 1/2 gallon of ice cream - 58¢.

The Elba Explorer Post 37 met with its sponsor the Elba Lions Club, at Paul's Cafe for a supper and the presentation of awards Tuesday, Jan. 24.

The climax of the program was the presentation of the rank of Eagle Scout to Michael Debus.

The Dixieland Drive-In offers a big double feature: "The Texican" starring Audie Murphy and Broderick Crawford, and "Mister Buddwing" starring James Garner and Jean Simmons.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
FEBRUARY 7, 1957  
The County Commissioners held their first meeting last week. The new commissioners are Eugene Brown, Claude Tindal, Judge J. O. English, Junior Bowdoin, and Flournoy Whitman.

The Piggy Wiggly offers the following grocery specials: Sugar - 2¢ for 5 lbs.; Coffee - \$12.98 for 6 oz. jar; Bananas - 10¢ lb.; Picnic - 2¢ lb.; and Ground Beef - 9¢ for 1 lb.

Wise's Store for Men and Boys is offering the following sale prices on their entire inventory: Boys Socks - 3 pair for \$1; Boys Jackets - \$5; Men's Underwear - 45¢; and Men's Belts - 7¢.

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**FOR SALE:** The entrance foyer features the same historical "old" brick as the exterior of this 4-bedroom executive home located at the city limits (north side) on a large wooded lot. Double fire place in den and dining area make these rooms appealing and a breakfast room throughout the house, including extensive use of wall-to-wall carpeting. 12 or 14 master bath with sunken tub. The kitchen has Corning Ware appliances and a breakfast room. Call today for appointment. HOLLY REALTY CO., 347-3486 or 538-4383. 1-13-7tc.

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**FOR SALE:** "0 cars of land and seven miles from town of Hwy 87. Planted in pines. Reasonably priced. AUCTION REALTY, P.O. Box 727, Dothan, AL 36927. 1/27/2tc.

**FOR SALE:** 1 used bathtub, 1 commode and 1 lavatory. Call 897-2325. 1/20/4tc.

**LOST DOG - Male Beagle Dog** lost south of Elba with name on collar. Long scar between front legs from previous snake bite. Call 692-3336. 1/20/2tc.

**LOST:** Female Blue Tick hound, bench-legged. Last seen between Weeks Bridge Road and Rowe Bridge Road at New Brookton. Reward. Call 347-8653, Enterprise, AL. 1-6-4tp.

**BABYSITTING** in my home-Monday thru Friday. Big fenced back yard. Hot lunch. References available. 897-5010 2/3/7tc.

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**FOR SALE:** Attractive 4 BR house, 1 1/2 bath, electric A & H, carpeted, patio. Fenced back yard, new roof. 24,000 sq. ft. storage house, large lot, Elm Ave. Equity or refinance. See by appointment.

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State Trooper Robert Howard gets details of accident from J. R. Wilson, driver of tractor-trailer rig pictured in foreground. Pick-up truck driven by Mrs. Turman is in the background.

## Deadly Curves Claim Elderly Couple

An elderly, Route 2, Brantley, man was killed Friday morning when the pick-up truck he was a passenger in skidded into the path of a tractor-trailer rig on Alabama 180, two miles south of Brantley, in Crenshaw County.

The tractor-trailer rig, driven by J. R. Wilson, was heading north on the road when it struck the pick-up truck. Wilson, who was driving a tractor-trailer rig, was not injured in the accident.

Mrs. Turman died Saturday in a Troy hospital of massive internal injuries.

Wilson stated he was hauling a load of peanuts from Luverne to Enterprise and before he knew what was happening the pick-up was skidding sideways just a few feet in front of his rig. Wilson told investigating State Trooper Robert Howard that he had no time to do anything because the other vehicle was right ahead of him.

Wilson's truck suffered minor damage, but he was unhurt and after adding oil to the engine to replace some lost from a broken line, continued his journey.

## Firemen Answer Two Fire Calls Thursday

Elba firemen responded to two fires last Thursday before spending a quiet weekend without any calls.

The first call was Thursday morning when firemen were called to the mobile home of Maybelle Doan about five miles north of Elba on Highway 180. The trailer was completely destroyed as were the contents.

Thursday evening, shortly after six, firemen were called to the home of O. C. King on Carley Avenue. The house was on fire, having caught from burning grass on the stove, according to reports. Firemen were called to the house again about 10 p.m. when the fire between the walls caught again.

According to reports, Mrs. King had cut her hand and gone next door for assistance in stopping the bleeding, forgetting that the stove was turned on. A few minutes later her two small children came running in the neighbor's house, saying, "Mother, the house is on fire."

The family had been living in the house, owned by Mrs. T. D. Kendrick, for about two weeks, and had virtually no insurance on their belongings. A fund was started for them by friends and fellow workers at the Elba Piggy Wiggly.

The Public Meeting regarding the Long Range Highway plans for seven counties in southeast Alabama will be held on Monday, February 14, 1977, at 3:00 p.m. at the Dothan Civic Center. The originally scheduled meeting for January was cancelled because of the snow. Senator Wendell Mitchell is chairman of the meeting.



Kinston Homecoming Queen Sheila Wilks (center) and attendants: Jamie Bailey (left) and Penny Seay (right) reign over homecoming parade. More homecoming pictures may be seen on pg. 10.

## Flu Bug Bites Area School Students

The outbreak of flu currently sweeping across Alabama has reached Coffee County, and has caused the closing of the Elba City schools and the Kinston school system.

The Elba schools shut-down on Tuesday afternoon for the remainder of the week, while classes at Kinston were dismissed on Wednesday afternoon. Both schools will re-open on Monday, February 14.

A county-wide survey conducted by THE ELBA CLIPPER on Tuesday of this week revealed that Elba is being hit hardest by the bug.

School officials at Elba reported that the number of students absent has grown from 120 (or 21%) on Friday, to 192 (or 33%) on Monday and Tuesday.

In an official statement, Supt. Elmer Taylor said, "Because of increased absences, this week, we have decided to close schools for the remainder of the week. All schools will re-open as usual on Monday."

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The Elba Middle School reports that 43 students (or 16%) were absent Friday, 45 (or 17%) absent on Monday, and 57 students (or 22%) failed to show up for classes on Tuesday.

The Elba Elementary School was hardest hit with the number of students absent growing from 120 (or 21%) on Friday, to 192 (or 33%) on Monday and Tuesday.

At Kinston, the flu bug is also causing trouble. Supt. Elmer Taylor said, "Because of increased absences, this week, we have decided to close schools for the remainder of the week. All schools will re-open as usual on Monday."

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Holly Strickland

## City Faces Water Pressure Problems

The Elba Water and Electric Board met Tuesday night of this week with only Oscar Vaughan, Jr. present. The Board discussed the water pressure problems and the need for a new water pump.

The Board decided to purchase a new water pump and to have it installed by the end of the month. The cost of the pump is estimated to be \$10,000.

The Board also discussed the need for a new water main and decided to have it installed by the end of the month. The cost of the main is estimated to be \$20,000.

The Board also discussed the need for a new water treatment plant and decided to have it installed by the end of the month. The cost of the plant is estimated to be \$50,000.

## Higher Education Begins For Prisoners

Higher-education level is the goal of 21 residents of the work-release center in Elba. Monday night of this week, the men began classes in Adult Basic Education to earn their high-school diploma.

The new program is sponsored by the Coffee County School Board, and the classes will be taught by Frederick Warren, who is a member of the work release center staff and a qualified educator.

Present Monday night at the first night of the class was Courtney Crenshaw, Director of External Correction with the State Board of Corrections. George Bowen, Director of the local center, Rev. Virgil Coleman, with the County School Board, and Johnny Vaughan, Assistant Superintendent of Education, and Warren.

Twenty-three residents of the center listened to the program and all but two signed up for the classes, which will be taught on Monday and Tuesday night.

## Heart Fund Chairman Releases Schedule

Bill Bullard is the Elba Chairman for the Heart Fund Drive this year. This week Bullard released a schedule of events planned for the month.

On February 12th a Cyclethon is planned for Elba and Coffee County. February 13 Ronald McDonald and McDonald Land will be at Westgate Shopping Center in Enterprise.

The bill will be placed on the Senate calendar and if passed there and signed by the Governor, will be voted on by the voters of Coffee County. It will only become law if approved by a majority of the voters in Coffee County.

## Mike Sasser Named Elba Football Coach

Mike Sasser, who is recognized as one of the top young football coaches in the state, has been named as the head football coach at Elba High School.

Sasser, the head football coach at Brantley High School for the past three years, accepted the position on Monday, February 7.

Sasser, age 30, began his football career at T. R. Miller High School in Brewton, where he was named All-State as a running back. He played defensive back during his career with the Crimson Tide.

Mike Sasser became Coach Sasser following graduation in 1970 when he became an assistant coach at Mt. Brook High School in Birmingham. He remained at Mt. Brook, a Class AA school, for three years before becoming an assistant coach at Vestavia High School. He was at Vestavia only one year when he was named head coach at Brantley.

Coach Sasser's 1974 Bulldogs team recorded an 8-3 record and participated in the state Class A playoffs. In 1975 Brantley posted a 9-1 record, and this past year, Sasser led the Bulldogs to a 13-1 record, and the runner-up spot in the Class A football playoffs. During his three years at Brantley, Coach Sasser's teams compiled an excellent record of 30 wins and only 5 losses.

It was announced this week that Coach Sasser has been selected to coach the South All-Stars in the High School All-Star game this summer.

Sasser is married to the former Ann Marie Tucker of Frisco City, and they have one son, Shane, age 3.

In an interview with the

## Cyclethon Postponed Until February 26th

Basketball free throw on February 17 will feature Wayne Purvis. He will be challenged by representatives from Elba, Kinston, New Brockton and Enterprise. Wayne Marler of Elba will be among the challengers. It will be held in the Enterprise High School Gym.

February 20th is Heart Sunday in Alabama and Coffee County. The drive will end on February 26 with a

## Jury Returns Not Guilty Verdict On Melvin White

A Coffee County Circuit Court Jury returned a Not-Guilty verdict Tuesday in the shooting death of Melvin White in the December 27th shooting death of his wife, Maggie White.

White was charged with first degree murder in the death of Mrs. White. White died of head wounds from a 410 shotgun in the family home. White told the court the shooting was accidental.

In other court action, John Marvin Johnson pled guilty to second-degree murder in the June 17, 1976, death of Rosa Kinder, and was sentenced to 15 years.

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